की है। केन्द्रीय सरकार राज्यों को गोदामों के निर्माण के लिए 50% ऋण और 50% अनुदान मुहैया कराती है। केन्द्रीय सरकार की मौजूदा नीति के अनुसार मध्य प्रदेश की "गोडाउन ग्रिड स्कीम" के लिए 100% अनुदान नहीं दिया जा सकता है।

Problem of Health in Unorganised sector

1950. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that more than 60 per cent of the workers in the unorganised sector in the country endanger their eye-sight, lungs, kidneys, respiratory system by the very nature of their work and working environment;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what action Government have taken or propose to take to protect the health and provide timely health care to the workers in the unorganised sector in the country with details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

अहमदाबाद में अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय व्यापार केन्द्र

1951. **श्री चिमनभाई हरिभाई शुक्ल:** क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या गुजरात सरकार ने अहमदाबाद में एक अंतर्राष्ट्रीय व्यापार केन्द्र स्थापित किया है:

(ख) यदि हां, तो राज्य सरकार द्वारा संचालित किये जा रहे आयात संबंर्धन कार्यकलापों का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा राज्य सरकार को आयात संवर्धन के लिये दी गयी सहायता का ब्यौरा क्या है और उक्त संवर्धन केन्द्र द्वारा अब तक रुपये की तुलना में कितने मूल्य का आयात-निर्यात किया गया है?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० चिदम्बरम) (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Evaluation of work of employment exchanges

1952. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the evaluation work of the Employment Exchanges in the country could not be accomplished;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the officers such as Joint Directors, Deputy Directors etc. sanctioned for this work, have been assigned the work of looking after the administrative sections for which these posts were not sanctioned; and

(c) if so, what steps Government would take to entrust these officers the work for which their posts were created?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) Evaluation of Employment Exchanges is a continuous process undertaken every year and targets in this regard could not be achieved due to shortage of staff in position. Currently no separate staff is earmarked as sanctioned for this purpose and therefore assigning other work to such earmarked staff does not arise. However, one Deputy Director is exclusively made responsible for this work with other officers in the Directorate of Employment giving him the necessary support.

(c) Does not arise.

Visit of Director-General of WTO

1953. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Director-General, World Trade Organisation, visited India in the month of May, 1995;

(b) if so, what was the purpose of his visit;

(c) the details of talks the Director-General had with Government officials and leaders of the country; and

(d) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Commerce Minister had invited the Director-General, World Trade Organisation (WTO) to visit India while on his tour of Asian countries, so that he could also be acquainted with the developments here.

(c) and (d) The DG, WTO had meetings with the Commerce Minister and the Finance Minister and paid a courtesy call on the Prime Minister. The discussions covered subjects like the negotiations on financial services and movement of natural persons, the social clause regional trading blocs, trade and the environment and intellectual property rights. The DG, WTO was apprised of India's position on these issues. He appreciated India's concerns on these issues and recognised the need to increase awareness in developed countries about the importance of open markets and market access to developing countries. Government is of the view that the objective of the visit was achieved.

India-South Africa Joint Trade Commission

1954. DR. GOPALRAO VITHALARAO PATIL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the India/South Africa Joint Trade Commission has been finalised to help the bilateral trade grow at a faster rate;

(b) if so, the details thereof with terms and conditions and areas for joint trade;

(c) whether with finalisation for setting up of the trade commission, the desired results are to be achieved; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (d) The Trade Agreement between India and South Africa signed on 22nd August, 1994, at Johannesburg *inter-alia* provides for the establishment of a Joint inter-governmental Committee to review the working and facilitate the effective implementation of the Agreement. Against the trade turnover between India and South Africa for the year 1993-94 of Rs. 181 crores, the trade turnover between the two countries during 1994-95 reached the level Rs. 995 crores thereby showing a quantum jump, as a sequel to the signing of the Trade Agreement between the two countries.

International Labour Organisation and Jute Sector

1955. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the norms fixed by International Labour Organisation (ILO) for jute sector;

(b) whether Government have taken decision to implement ILO norms for jute sector; and

(c) if so, since when?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA): (a) Although the International Labour Organisation has not adopted any international labour standards specifically for the jute sector, it has adopted, in 1958, Convention No. 110 and Recommendation No. 110 and in 1982 a Protocol concerning Plantations which inter-alia cover fibres such as jute. These standards regulate the employment of plantation workers and cover issues such as wages, right to organise, collective bargaining labour inspection, housing, medical care etc.

(b) India has not ratified ILO Convention No. 110 concerning plantations.

(c) Does not arise.

Production and Export of Rubber

1956. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding production an export of natural rubber from the country during the years 1993-94 and 1994-95 and till date, country-wise;

(b) whether Government have set any targets for boosting rubber exports during the period 1995-96; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Production of Natural Rubber during 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 is as under:

Year	Production
1993-94	435,160 tonnes
1994-95	471,815 tonnes
1995-96	*101,500 tonnes

*Estimated (upto June)